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The Devalued Dollar

Whatever the temporary benefits achieved to the recent ten per cent devaluation of the dollar and however necessary that devaluation, the people of the United States can find little consolation in the grim fact that their currency was forced to be reduced in value—in comparison to other currencies—for the second time in fifteen months.

While it is true that U.S. exports will now sell cheaper abroad, and that exporting firms will thereby be benefitted, it's also true that every American will have to pay more for various imported goods from all over the world. And they will also pay more for everything each time they travel outside this country.

In other words, while the balance of payments fight is helped by the devaluation and while that devaluation was probably necessary, Americans will pay more in many ways as a result. We are, in effect, paying now for the many years of balance of payments deficits, overseas spending, the war in Vietnam and vast foreign aid programs—for fiscal irresponsibility.

Certainly this is not a record to be proud of; it is one which is now to cost every citizen more in everyday shopping and living. This unhappy reality should convince the majority of Americans to demand greater fiscal and spending responsibility from Congress in the future.

Letter To The Editor

Feb. 26, 1973

Editor
Times-Virginian

Dear Sir,

It is my understanding, according to a letter in the Lynchburg News on Sunday, February 18, 1973, that beginning in mid-April, the CBS Television Network will show x-rated movies at 11:00 p.m.

This type of entertainment is polluting America just as surely as the scum on the rivers and the smog in the air.

Please write and voice your disapproval to:

Mr. Charles Irland
CBS Television Network
51 West 52nd Street
New York, N. Y. 10010

Sincerely,
Norma H. Moore

7TH GRADE 4-H MEETING

7th Grade 4-H meeting held February 15, 1973. The 4-H meeting was called to order by Gwen Ferguson. The pledges were led by Carolyn Hannock and Mark Elliott. The Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting it was approved as read.

There were 42 pupils in the meeting. Mr. Sweet passed out certificates that Coretha Brooks, Rosa Abbit, LaTrelle Ewers, Polly Carter and others won in the Public Speaking Contest. Then Mr. Sweet passed back old project books. March 31, 1973 the 4-H members are presenting a County Demonstration and a Illustrated Talk Contest.

Mr. Sweet showed slides on demonstration and illustrated talk. The 4-H Dog Chain will be discussed in the following meetings. We adjourned by the 5th grade lunch period.

Director, Mr. Sweet; President, Gwen Ferguson; Vice President, Barbara Ferguson; Secretary, Debbie Doss; Reporter, Sheryl Franklin.

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The Pastor Speaks

The Sunday School Lesson

"NOT OF THIS WORLD."

In the 17th chapter of the Gospel of John our Lord said that his people are not of this world." His prayer in this chapter was for a special people. He declared that he prayed "not for the world but for his own. He said that his people are "not of the world" even as he was not of the world. But this is a very important distinction for there are to be found certain people who are not of the world but yet they are not Christians. We know that Christ was not of the world in nature, his virgin birth, his sinless life, etc., set him apart from the world. God's people are like wise different in that they have a new nature through the miracle of the new birth. Many think that the difference between a Christian and a worldling is not nearly so material but rather internal. The difference is one of nature and not of place. God's people are not of the world in character. This cannot be said of many church members for they are of the world. God's true children, however, are not of the world in their very character. You may make a profession of faith but if your thoughts, habits, behavior and your feelings are worldly and carnal then you are of the world. God is preparing a place called Heaven, a new Heaven and a new Earth for those who are not of this world.

Earnie W. Lucas, Pastor
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Comment on the International Sunday School lesson for Sunday, March 4, 1973

THIS IS GOD'S WORLD

Scripture: Genesis 1:1-26, 31; Psalm 24:1-2; Psalm 104:24-30

The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof,
the world and those who dwell therein. Psalm 24:1

In the theology of the Judaeo-Christian tradition God is the creative and sustaining force in all the universe. To describe God as a force is not to deny His personhood. In this theology, God, by His will, brought into being the universe, set the heavenly bodies in their orbits, brought into being plant and animal life both marine and terrestrial on this planet at least, and sustains it, and is crowned His creative work brought into being the first man made in His image and endowed with remarkable capabilities which we know as man.

Judaeo-Christian theology did not arrive at these conclusions through the usual processes through which man acquires knowledge. Man's continuing search for knowledge, through ways in which he is accustomed to learn, of his own origins and of the origins of the planet which is his home, descriptively called "spaceship earth" by Barbara Ward, and of the universe of which earth is a member, is evidence that we have as yet no satisfactory scientific information about these origins. One of the motivations which sent man on his most astounding exploration yet was to see if the moon would yield any secrets about the origin and development of the universe.

The basis for these conclusions of Judaeo-Christian theology about origins is to be found in the process we call revelation. In a unique way, the Scriptures both are and contain God's revelation to Himself. Throughout the Scriptural presentation of the universe and all that is in it, as God, creation is part of revelation. The profoundest truths of theology come through revelation as when Jesus told Peter, when that disciple acknowledged Him as the Christ, "Blessed art thou, Living God," that he had not learned it through normal processes but that God had revealed it to him.

An ancient psalmist saw the heavens as declaring the glory of God and the firmament as showing His handiwork. Year by year, one job and place. John Randolph of Roanoke declared that no man could see the sun rise from the Peaks of Otter and remain an atheist. It is through the eye of the spirit that we see God in His works or even that the world about us is His world.

To all creation there is an order which suggests an omniscient mind and an omnipotent hand; the orderly movement of the stars and planets in their courses, the intricate unity of the structure of matter, the life systems of which plant and animal life are sustained, systems we label ecology, the fact of life and living in every form, all these the spiritual eye sees as the work of God.

From such a viewpoint this is God's world. From this viewpoint the psalmist declared that the earth and all that is in it belongs to God. In presenting the revelation of God as Creator, the Scriptures do not explain how God carried out the process of bringing into being all that we know as the material world. But, they premise the fact of all existence upon God. Who gave to it substance and form and order. The process of creation, from the formation of matter to the highest forms of life as we know them, defies the imagination. No wonder it is the inspiration of exhaustive and intensive research to learn how these things came to be and why they are as they are.

The purpose of the Scriptures in presenting the revelation of God as Creator and Sustainer of life is not an answer man's curiosity about his beginnings, but it is rather to show man his obligation to God, his need to depend upon God for his salvation and satisfying relationship to Him. It is to show man that without God he cannot develop his own nature completely or attain his full potential.

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JORDAN NEWS

All present enjoyed the two services on Sunday. Sunday morning Rev. Elliott asked us were we too busy to serve God. On Sunday night Rev. Thomas Sandifer was the guest speaker at a program honoring our oldest deacon, Deacon John Jones.

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

On Sunday night at 7:30 there will be a Singing Jubilee featuring many of your favorite groups. Plan now to attend.

On the 4th Sunday beginning at 6:00 p.m. the Gospel Harmonetes will be celebrating their 1st anniversary. Many groups will be there so plan to attend.

Candid Comment

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ACHS Spanish II Class Completes Projects

The Spanish II Class at Appomattox County High School under the competent instruction of Mr. James Hall, Spanish teacher at ACHS, has just completed work on four week projects.

Students have worked on projects of their own choice, at their own speed and have really done a fine job, according to Mr. Hall, and a great deal of individual work has gone into the projects.

Students in the Spanish II Class are shown above with their projects which range from pictures, crossword puzzles, posters, scrapbooks, newspapers, puppet show, translation of stories, original plays, flash cards (English on one side - Spanish on the other), plans for a Fiesta, original song, fairy tales, and maps.

School administration was quite pleased with the projects and work done by the students and with the efforts of Mr. Hall in bringing about this phase of school work. They felt that recognition should be given the teacher and students and it is well deserved.

Students will now, after the completion of their projects, begin explaining their individual projects to the class and will speak in Spanish while they tell fellow students about the work involved in each project.

Fine Arts & Craft Contest Held By Con-Terra Womans Club

The Con-Terra Womans Club held their Fine Arts and Craft Contest and exhibits Tuesday at the Concord Elementary School. The Clubs Fine Arts and Crafts show was opened to the public for exhibit and view of all entrees as well as club members. Mrs. Melvin Giles, Fine Art chairman was in charge of the contest.

Judging the contest were Mrs. Terry Coffey, Mr. Ron Reynolds, Mrs. Letty Frazier, Mrs. Edith Smith, Mrs. V. A. Staten, Mrs. G. Hunter Jones, Mrs. Bernard Ahlin, Mrs. Ann Elean, Mrs. Charles B. Fegens, Mrs. Charlie Elliott, Mrs. Gene Angle.

Club winners were: Ceramics – Mrs. Melvin Giles, blue; Ceramics-stain – Mrs. Eddie Gunter, Jr., blue; Mrs. Sharon Kornbau, red; Mrs. Melvin Giles, red; Mrs. Eddie Gunter, Jr., white; Christmas decorations Mrs. Marge Dutka, white. Non club member winners who had entries in the contest were: Art Oil – Mrs. Elizabeth McAdams, blue; Linda Dixon, red; Linda Henry, white; Mr. Sam Wood, blue; Mrs. Shirley Jefferson, red; Mr. Sam Wood, blue; Mrs. Elizabeth McAdams, blue; Mrs. Sam Wood, red; Shirley Jefferson, white. Art-pastels - Larry Dixon, red, Mrs. Beulah Nelson, White, blue. Art-acrylic – Mrs. Beulah Nelson White, blue; Mrs. Beulah Nelson White, blue and red. Watercolor – Mr. Sam Wood, blue; Shirley Jefferson, red. Sculpture – David Boger, red. Craft painting – Janice Baton, red; Miss Becky Dutka, blue; Miss Stacia Ann Gray, blue; Master David Boger, blue; Miss Carolyn Boger, blue; Bobby Dutka, blue. Craft painting – original – Bobby Dutka, blue.

Ceramics-hand built – Mrs. J. F. MacKenize, blue. Ceramics-Underglaze – Elizabeth McAdams, blue; Juanita Reynolds, blue. Ceramics stain – Sandra Giles, blue; Mrs. Shirley Burleigh, red; Mrs. Cecile Gunter, white; Mrs. Shirley Burleigh, red.

Plastic Casting – Charles Louis Gray, red; Miss Beth Matthew, red; Mrs. Tilden Lee, red. Basket Weaving – Miss Stacia Ann Gray, red. Crocheting – Mrs. A. T. Lancaster, blue; Mrs. Dolly France, blue; Mrs. Paul France, blue. China painting – Mrs. Juanita Reynolds, blue. Macrame–Michael Perrow, blue. Dried arrangements – Mrs. Buelah Nelson White. Fantasy flowers – Mrs. Jo Pratt, blue and red. Naturescope – Charles Louis Gray, blue; Mrs. D. Ansty, blue and red. Framed flowers – Shirley Jefferson, blue; Mr. E. E. White, red; Shirley Jefferson, white.

Sewing – Mrs. Nancy Jones and Carolyn Smith, blue; Mrs. Nancy Jones and Carolyn Smith, red; Mrs. Nancy Jones, white. Sewing-Adult – Mrs. Elizabeth McAdams, blue; Carolyn Giles, blue; Carolyn Smith and Mrs. Elizabeth McAdams, red. Sewing-children–Mrs. Elizabeth McAdams blue and red.

Knitting-Adult–Mrs. Jacob Mast, Mrs. Margie McCumber, and Mrs. Elizabeth McAdams, blue and red. Knitting-children – Mrs. Paul France, blue and red. Crocheting-Afghans – Mrs. Paul France, Mrs. Dolly France, Mrs. A. T. Lancaster, blue. Needlepoint-Original – Mrs. Elizabeth McAdams, blue. Creative Stitchery – Mrs. Elizabeth McAdams, blue – Mrs. Paul France, red. Mrs. Tilden Lee, white. Christmas Decorations – Mrs. B. G. Giles and Mrs. Elizabeth McAdams, blue; Mrs. Grace Boger, red; Mrs. Marge Dutka, white. Crafty creatures – Miss Beth Matthews, blue.

Decoupage – Miss Leslie King, blue, Mrs. Jacob Mast, Master David Boger, Miss Carolyn Torbert, Miss Darlene Foster, and Miss Linda Vivian, red; Miss Zanita Elliott, Master Roger Jones, Master Raymond Conley, Master Eric Gray, and Master Raymond Conley, white. Woodwork – Mr. Pete Pratt, blue, red, and white, Charles Gray, white. Character dolls – Mrs. Tilden Lee, blue.

Following the judging Mrs. Wayne Matthews welcomed everyone on behalf of the Con-Terra Womans Club. During the social hour refreshments were served by Mrs. Eddie Gunter, Jr., Mrs. Stacey W. Gray, and Mrs. Richard Thompson.

Attends Installation Dinner

Mrs. Virginia Mann, was in Fredericksburg over the week end to attend a dinner and installation of her brother, Floyd M. Jarrells Sr. into the office of the Knights Templar as Commander.

The Knight Templar, a branch of the Masonic organization sponsors of two programs the educational loan program and the eye foundation program. The education program is designed to help third and fourth year college students finance the remainder of their education with low interest and postponed pay back dates. The eye foundation provides for research surgical treatment and hospitalization of those who suffer from diseases of and injuries to the eye.

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Although the most important source of council function is our volunteers, it takes money to train them and provide their troops with personal services, program material, and camping equipment.

Even though past Funds Drives have failed to support the Appomattox troops entirely, the Council has not cut down on its services to our girls. In order to continue to provide a quality program, we must build up new income sources. We hope to do this through this year's Sustaining Membership Enrollment.

We ask the support of parents and friends of Girl Scouting through S.M.E. Put your trust and value in our girls by becoming a Sustaining Member.

Makes Dean's List

Mrs. Shirley C. Eye of Appomattox has been notified that she has been named to the Dean's List at Longwood College for the past semester.

In a letter received from the college, Mrs. Eye was told that her fine work was a credit to herself and to the college.

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